Those were the days   Gene Raskin   umpa umpa beat

Am   AM7   Dm   Am
Once upon a time there was a tavern Where we used to raise a glass or two.
AM7   AM
Remember how we laughed away the hours,
Dm   E7
And dreamed of all the great things we would do?
 AM   DM
Those were the days, my friend, We thought they'd never end.

            G   C   (step down to)   AM
We'd sing and dance forever and a day   We'd live the life we choose

            DM   (step down) E7   AM
We'd fight and never lose.. For were young and sure to have our way.

AM , DM, G/G7 , C DM, AM, E7…..   AM7
La, la la la la la. La la la la la la ,   Those were The days, oh yes
                          AM
THOSE WERE THE DAYS>

Am7   AM   Dm   Am
Then the busy years went rushing by us.   We lost our starry notion on the way.
AM7   DM   E7
If by chance I'd see you in the tavern.   We'd smile at one another and we'd say
(chorus)
AM7   DM   AM
Just tonight I stood before the tavern,   Nothing seemed the way it used to be.
AM7   DM   E7
In the glass I saw a strange reflection.   Was the lonely person really me?

(Chorus)

AM   AM7
Through the door, there came familiar laughter
 DM   AM
I saw your face and heard you call my name
AM7   AM
Oh, my friend, we're older but no wiser
DM   E7
For in our hearts, the dreams are still the same
 CHORUS